



**DACC ADVISORY BOARD  
MINUTES**

**SPECIAL MEETING  
FRIDAY, July 10, 2020**

**The Downtown Austin Community Court (DACC) Advisory Board convened in a special meeting on Friday, July 10, 2020 in Austin, Texas.**

Chair Darilynn Cardona-Beiler called the Board Meeting to order at 10:05am.

Board Members in Attendance: Jason English, Lea Downey-Gallatin, Kate Garza, Ann Howard, Gary Ponder, Susan Requejo, and Andrew Williams

Staff in Attendance: Pete Valdez, Jennifer Sowinski, Edna Staniszewski, Judge Coffey

**1. APPROVAL OF MAY 6, 2020 SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES**

Board Member Andrew Williams moved to approve the May 6, 2020 meeting minutes. Board Member Ann Howard seconded the motion. Motion passed by 8-0 vote.

**2. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Status of DACC operations during COVID-19, changes in operations, any new trends noticed. (Cardona-Beiler/Downey Gallatin) – Pete Valdez, Court Administrator, Downtown Austin Community Court (DACC) - Since March 16, 2020, DACC has a skeleton crew onsite. Facilities are restricted in space and room needed to be available for the clients.
- b. DACC's involvement with the management of the Protective Facilities and rehousing efforts (Cardona-Beiler/Downey Gallatin) - Pete Valdez, Court Administrator, Downtown Austin Community Court (DACC) - Most personnel have been reassigned to the Protective Lodges with the Emergency Operations Center which Robert Kingham is taking the lead.
- c. Homeless Services updates: – Vella Karman, Interim Homeless Services Officer
  - Upcoming report from Barb Poppe and Mathew Doherty
  - Hotel/ Motel Conversion strategy update
  - Budget Considerations
  - Covid-19 response and RFA'sThe Board received an update.
- d. Public Space Management initiatives (Cardona-Beiler/Downey Gallatin) – Ramesh Swaminathan, Engineer, Watershed Protection – item moved to September's meeting.

- e. Storage update –Jennifer Sowinski, Clinical Operations Manager, gave an update on the storage bins and their location.
- f. Annual Internal Review Report – Report due at the end of the month. Before the Chair submits the final report to the city clerk’s office, staff will forward a draft copy for the commissioners to review.

**3. OLD BUSINESS**

- a. City Ordinance Review (sit/lie, camping, solicitation) (CardonaBeiler/Gallatin)

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- a. Update on Coordinated Entry prioritization strategies (Cardona-Beiler/Downey Gallatin)

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Darilynn Cardona-Beiler adjourned the meeting at 11:37am without objection.